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SUBJECT: COPPER NEGOTIATIONS

FONMIN MWAANGA TOLD ME THAT ATTORNEY GENERAL SILUNGWE
LEAVES FOR NEW YORK THIS EVENING, OCT 10, TOGETHER WITH
ACTING PERMSEC OF MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND FINANCE
L.E. KAWESHYA (JOINING MINISTER KASHITA THERE) WITH FULL
BRIEF FROM CABINET TO CONCLUDE AN AGREEMENT WITH AMAX
REGARDING CANCELLATION OVER YEAR AGO OF AMERICAN COMPANY'S
MANAGEMENT/SALES CONTRACT. MWAANGA NOTED THAT GAP WIDE
BETWEEN AMAX AND GRZ FIGURES (28 AND 22 MILLION DOLLARS).
HIS IMPRESSION FROM TALKING WITH AMAX OFFICIALS IN NEW
YORK IS THAT THESE OFFICIALS BELIEVE 22 MILLION DOLLAR FIGURE
REASOHBKLE BUT AFRAID OF US SHAREHOLDERS AND NEED SOME
SWEETENING TO COVER THEMSELVES. DO HOPE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS

WILL HAVE TIME FOR KASHITA AND SILUNGWE AS REQUESTED
IN LUSAKA 2030.
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